



State Water Resources Control Board

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Governor

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

REVIEW OF PROPOSED SALINITY STANDARDS AS RECOMMENDED IN
THE FINAL REPORT OF THE COLORADO RIVER BASIN SALINITY CONTROL FORUM
"2005 REVIEW - WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR SALINITY –
COLORADO RIVER SYSTEM"

Wednesday, February 1, 2006 - 9 a.m.
State Water Resources Control Board
Coastal Hearing Room – Second Floor
Joe Serna, Jr. Cal/EPA Headquarters Building
1001 I Street, Sacramento, CA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held by the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to consider approval of the proposed salinity standards as contained in the subject final report.

BACKGROUND

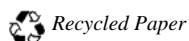
Section 303 of the federal Clean Water Act requires that water quality standards be reviewed at least once every three years and revised as appropriate. Salinity standards (objectives) for the Colorado River and a plan of implementation designed to achieve the objectives were recommended beginning in 1975 by the seven states in the Colorado River Basin through the Colorado River Basin Salinity Control Forum (Forum), established under the federal Colorado River Basin Salinity Control Act (P.L. 93-320). The Forum has recently completed the 2005 Review - Water Quality Standards for Salinity - Colorado River System (2005 Review) and submitted it to the State Water Board for approval. No changes in salinity standards have been proposed. Minor changes are being proposed in the implementation plan.

Section 303(c)(1) of the federal Clean Water Act requires that:

The governor of a state or the state water pollution control agency of such state shall... hold public hearings for the purpose of reviewing applicable water quality standards and, as appropriate, modifying and adopting standards. Results of such review shall be made available to the Administrator.

The State Water Board will hold a public hearing on February 1, 2006 to receive comments on the 2005 Review pursuant to section 303(c)(1). The State Water Board may consider approval of the 2005 Review and related salinity standards at the public hearing. The 2005 Review is available in PDF format on the Forum's Web site at <http://www.coloradoriversalinity.org/>.

California Environmental Protection Agency



SUBMISSION OF COMMENTS

Comments may be submitted to:

Clerk to the Board
State Water Resources Control Board
P.O. Box 100
Sacramento CA 95812-0100
Email: commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov
Fax: (916) 341-5620

Comments may also be submitted at the hearing. Written comments must be received no later than 9 a.m. on February 1, 2006. Early submittal of comments is encouraged.

Questions regarding this hearing should be directed to Mr. Walt Shannon at (916) 341-5497 (wshannon@waterboards.ca.gov).

PARKING AND ACCESSIBILITY

The enclosed map shows the location of the public hearing.

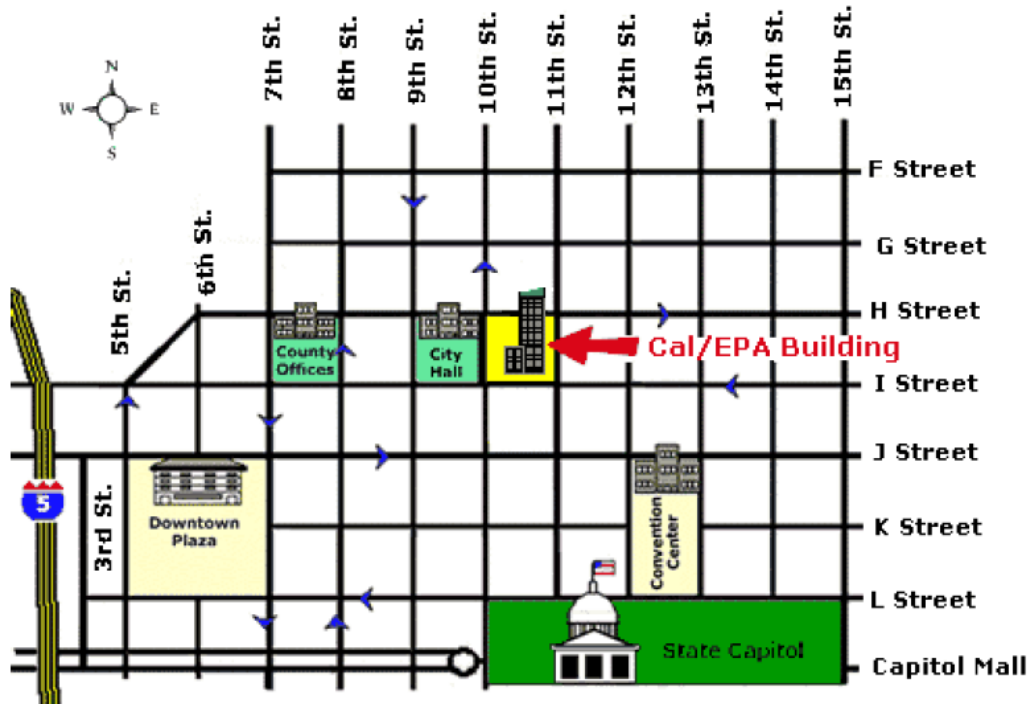
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Selica Potter
Acting Clerk to the Board

Date: December 15, 2005



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